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The history of Atari is posted as file ATARI.TXT in LIBRARY 17 of the
Atari Productivity Forum (GO ATARIPRO) (from the Internet system).

The second set of "20 QUESTIONS" submitted by Atari Forum members and
answered by Atari Corp (specifically Bob Brodie, Bill Rehbock and James
Grunke) is available for download as file 20Q_02.TXT in LIBRARY 15 of the
Atari Arts Forum (GO ATARIARTS).

See files OMEGA_.ZIP and OMEGAF.ZIP in LIBRARY 12 of the Atari Arts Forum
(GO ATARIARTS) for a very well done European demo for the STE and TT. Well
worth the download time.

Download file JAPANE.ZIP from LIBRARY 4 of the Atari Productivity Forum
(GO ATARIPRO) for a program which makes it possible to display the
Japanese and input single-byte katakana, double-byte katakana, hiragana
and more than ten different series of special symbols which are assigned
to symbol keys.

Download file DRIVRS.LZH from LIBRARY 11 of the Atari Vendors Forum (GO
ATARIVEN) for the latest PageStream import modules. Updated 10-AUG-93.
This archive contains ALL of the import modules currently shipping with
PageStream 2.2b.   Included are new Illustrator, EPS, and TIFF import
modules.

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     STReport has been around for quite some time and we've seen many
interesting things happen. But in all the years, we've never been witness
to such activities as those occurring in the last six months. What is
happening is amazing. This spot is usually my area for "having my say".
This week, I must defer to Lee Seiler of Lexicor Software. Elsewhere in
this issue is his latest interview and Press Release. Please, take a
moment to read what he has to say ...carefully. It has a great deal to
say.

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                    PEOPLE... ARE TALKING
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On CompuServe
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compiled by Joe Mirando



     Well folks, its that time  again... the almighty schedule calls and I
answer.  Gee, wouldn't it be nice if  the Mars Observer answered when NASA
called it?  This has  been a big disappointment for me.   I had hoped that
the space craft  would begin us on an  important, and if I  may say so, a
long  overdue, return to space...  the spirit of discovery, the nation all
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pulling as one, everyone sitting there in front of the television in mute
amazement at the view of open space or of a planet or moon that had never
seen up close before. These are the kinds of things that made us leaders.
Leaders in exploration and leaders in technology.   I just hope that this
one mishap, the first loss of a planetary probe in 27 years, doesn't put
even more constraints on our space program (and other science programs
like the Superconducting Super Collider).

Well, at any rate, its time for us to tune in to the hints and tips
available to us in the Atari Forums on Compuserve. Let's get busy...

From the Atari Productivity Forum
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Rob Rasmussen talks a bit about monitors:

"I'm not familiar with the difference between the various Atari SM mono
monitors. You say you can get yours to display 1024 x 496 with your
graphics card. From what I've learned so far, since ST mono mode uses more
pixels than medium or low, the faster monitor is used to redraw the screen
more frequently (70 Hz instead of 60) and with a faster horizontal scan
rate (36.75 KHz instead of 15.75). For color mode, I liked Dave Troy's
description of a guy with a garden hose that squirts paint, running along
a row of 640 buckets and filling each one with paint, and repeating this
for all 00 rows. He can only run at a fixed speed, and he has to do the
whole thing 60 times per second. Wow. Anyway, a mono monitor is faster but
I didn't think it could go any faster than 70 Hz - 36.75 KHz. Seems like
there would be a lot of flicker on the display you're talking about, but I
guess I'm not really up on these different monitors. Apparently hardly
anything other than the older Atari monitors uses the lower scanning rate
and redraw speed. Since higher rez is more common, I thought a multiscan
monitor would be needed. At least for color."

Chris Gray tells Rob:

"I am in danger of getting out of my depth here but...

The graphics card has its own video RAM (1M pixels = 128 KB), and it has a
''dot clock'' crystal which I believe to be 50 MHz. This difference in
frequency seems to match up quite nicely with the increase in pixels, if
my mental arithmetic is still functioning (50:35.75 640). It seems there
is enough headroom in the SM 124/144 bandwidth to handle this. (I have an
SM144, the manual always refers to the 124).

So far as I know the screen refresh rate is still 70 KHz --- it certainly
looks that way. For any resolution above 1024x496 (1024x960 is possible)
I have to go into interlaced mode, which on my SM144 flickers like hell
and is frankly unusable. At 1024x496 I have to admit that fine detail can
be a little blurred, particularly towards the edge of the screen (then
again, it wasn't all that brilliant in good ol' 640x400). Your mileage
may vary according to which batch of monitor you have --- mine seems to be

one of the more mediocre 144s. Maybe the SM124s had a more persistent
phosphor which would make the interlace mode acceptable. According to
reports I have read (I haven't had a chance to connect an SM124 to my
system here) the SM124s were much better focussed and suffered less from
pincushioning and related diseases.

I mostly use the 1024x496 resolution with a 1024x800 ''virtual screen'',
meaning that the bottom 304 lines scroll into view when I mouse down below
the physical bottom of the screen. The scrolling is as smooth as silk ---
it's the graphics card doing this, GEM just sees a 1024x 800 screen to
write to. Ironically, I normally log on to Compu$erve using an emulation
mode which blits the standard 640x400 screen into the card's video RAM,
'coz my comms software throws a fit of agoraphobia otherwise...

I also use Screenblaster on the cheap multisync SVGA monitor I bought to
use with my Falcon. I get quite noticeable moire patterns with some
background fills, illustrating the difference between a mono monitor
(continuous phosphor) and a color one (phosphor dots).

Hope this makes everything clearer ;)"

On the subject of compression methods, Shawn Laughlin asks:

"Ok, what do I need to unzip AEPJ01.ZIP ? Neither of my unzippers seem to
work ("Unknown compression method"). You don't know how irritating it is
to need help just to *open* a _%$#!@_ file <GGG>.   I suppose I'm going to
need that 150K one eh? I'd like to know though, before I spend 20 minutes
downloading it. The lovely thing about compression is it saves online
time <G>."

Albert Dayes of Atari Explorer Magazine tells Shawn:

"It was zipped with ST ZIP v2.3."

Shawn posts:

"Yup, I believe that's the 150K one <g>. Thanks."

For whatever reason, Jody Golick asks:

"Do we know of a text editor that allows one to delete, say, the first ten
characters of every line in a document, regardless of what those
characters
might be?"

Rick Flashman at Gribnif Software tells Jody:

"Tempus II can do what you want. I am not sure if you can still find a
copy for sale, you might want to call Toad Computers. We use it ourselves
quite a bit."

Carl Kreider asks:

"Can any hard disk experts lend a hand? My ST-296N is developing errors,
so I tried to parallel a spare Quantum PRO-105 to it to back up to (and
maybe even switch to). But I can't format it with the Atari 5.0 disk
software - says too many bad sectors. And I can't just partition it since
it complains that it wasn't formatted with HDX 5.0. Catch 22. Any ideas?"

Albert Dayes of Atari Explorer Magazine asks Carl:

"Have you tried Supra hard disk software?"

Carl tells Albert:

"I can't since I don't have any Supra hard disk software (or hardware
either). Is it available here?"

Albert Dayes tells Carl:

"The software should work on any hard disk system regardless of host
adapter. You can download it from the (GO ATARIVEN) forum."

Tom Mynar tells Carl:

"Make sure you remove the terminating resistors from the drive that is
between the host adapter and the last drive. Also insure that parity on
the Quantum is set to "OFF" or "NONE"."

Carl replies:

"I did both. The problem is mainly that you can't format a PRO-105. But
HDX wants it formatted. Any further thoughts?"

Tom tells Carl:

"Your only alternative is to use the Supra software. Of course,
technically speaking you are supposed to only do this if you have Supra
equipment.

Luckily, I have a few of their controllers laying around in my parts bin
so I felt *legal* to do it.

The software will have NO problems with the Atari host adapter. However,
it might not know what a 105 is - you may need to select "other" and enter
the cylinders/heads/tracks-per. You can get this neat information from
the IBMHW sig - there's a file up there with an incredible number of units
defined.

The LPS105S shows 4 heads/1219 cylinders/42 sectors per track
The PRO1052 shows 6   1019   43?

Good luck."

Brian Gockley of ST INFORMER asks:

"Does anyone know if I can control an IDE drive from a Mega/STE or TT. If
so, what do I need?"

Albert Dayes of Atari Explorer Magazine tells Brian:

"No way that I know of unless you want to design the hardware, and write
the drivers yourself."

Brian explains:

"That's what I thought :(I found a 200mb IDE for $200, so I was
wondering..."

John Amsler asks about using Spectre GCR, the Mac emulator for the
Atari ST series of computers:

"If I "Spectrize" the L partition, can I put System 7 in there yet put all
the other Mac files (executables and data files) in Atari partitions ...
or do all the Mac files have to reside in and be called from a Mac
partition?"

Albert Dayes of Atari Explorer Magazine tells John:

"If you "spectrize" the L partition all Mac files have to reside in the
partition including system software. System 7 is not currently supported.
They also have Spectre support in the (GO ATARIVEN) forum from Gadgets by
Small...

You can have a few partitions in Spectre format. And have different
system software in each one. So you can boot with 6.04, 6.05 or 6.02. If
you are using ICD or Supra's software you can have 12 partitions total
(GEM, BGM, OOP, ACK, etc)."

Dick Paddock tells John:

"All the Mac software needs to reside on one or another Macintosh
partition. The use of the "Spectre-ized" partition (old Macintosh File
System, as distinct from the new Hierarchical File System) is to allow the
Spectre's TransVerter program to transfer files from Atari/PC-formatted
disks to the Mac side. It should be possible to have more than one HFS
partition if you wish, but with Mac's System 6/7, there isn't a practical

limit to the size, except convenience. Albert is correct, that Version 7 of the Mac System does not run on Spectre. I have seen at least one person here mention using 6.0.7 or 6.0.8 as being in use, but I stick with 6.0.5. It's stable and does the job. In fact, I don't know what the higher revisions of 6.0.x do. 7.1, of course, includes all kinds of goodies, like multi-tasking a la MultiTOS or Geneva (more like MultiTOS, really.) System 6 had multitasking in the mode of the PC's DesqView, i.e., multiple applications open, all but one sleeping (as memory allowed.)"

Jonnie Santos posts:

"Okay, for years I've turned on my hard drive, waited for it to beep and then turned on my ST (now a STe). The other day for some reason I turned on the hard drive and the STe at the same time and it booted just fine. I've repeated this many times since - anyone got any ideas?"

Mike Mortilla suggests:

"Maybe you left the disk out of the ST drive? There is also a program around here (Ataripro?) that writes a delay onto the floppy disk that forces a "wait" for the HD. Seems ok so far."

Jonnie tells Mike:

"I've tried it with the disk in and out - same results. It's just funny in a way because for years I thought how great it would be if one switch would turn on my ST versus the multi-turn-on routine.

Here's my setup in case you see anything that stands out as a bit weird...

AUTO FOLDER

datadiet.inf datadiet.prg dcflight.prg foldr200.prg hdaccel.prg hotwire.prg rtc_auto.prg warp9_st.prg

ACC FILES

GramSlam Hotsaver Diamond Find Data Diet Control Panel

PC - STE('91), 4Megs, Rainbow Tos (version 1.62 according to UVK)
                                  (version 1.98 according to German utl)

HD - Supra 20Meg('87), MiniScribe M8425, 88ms access speed"

Tony Barker of Moving Pixels adds:

"Wasn't the OS in the STE altered (as all subsequent versions have) to include a delay on boot up so that all peripherals would have time to come on line."

From the Atari ST Arts Forum
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Charles Cartwright tells us:

"I look on my newly acquired STe as an interim measure while I wait to see
where Falcon and Atari are going (if anywhere). I don't think now is the
time to go investing substantially in anything too different be it a
Falcon or even a PC. Interim could of course turn out to be quite a few
years as may end up waiting for the dust to settle from the next PC
'revolution'! But enough of this philosophizing.

Yes, life with a hard disk can be very frustrating without some sort of
boot utility. I used to run with the absolute minimum of auto programs and
accessories and still had compatibility problems. I now use Superboot and
have just finished installing the latest version which supports some of
the STe features.

I have also found some pre-STe programs that failed on my old machine but
work with the new one. I think it must be just a TOS compatibility
problems.

As for obscure languages I am quite a connoisseur of these. I have tried
Forth and also Lisp but APL has to be the weirdest!"

Jon Sanford tells Chas:

"Although I am inactive in programming I still consider my self a
connoisseur of computer languages. APL is associated in my mind with the
U.S. Dept. of Defense. Or am I thing of something else? I am waiting for
a new paradigm. The assembly language comes out of the High pressure
process of getting competitive new chips "out the door" as fast as
possible. I wonder how much study is given to how mnemonic the mnemonics
actually are. Once code is engraved in silicon or a large installed user
base, there is inevitably much resistance to change. Programmers seem to
pride themselves on an ability to remember lots of tricks and glitch
arounds. However as an older person I begin to value simplicity an clarity
for very practical reasons. (my memory ain't what it used to be). As
systems get larger the old hacker methods will become disastrous. ... to
be continued if your interested...

    You see I have no problem with philosophy. Lisp is very nifty. I have
only played with a PD version for the AtariST.

    I upgraded to a Mega16STe last year. I expect 4 or 5 years before I
can think about new hardware. I never heard of Superboot. Is it okay?"

Chas tells Jon:

"Super Boot is great. It is shareware and has been distributed with
several of the ST magazines here in the UK. I am not familiar with the
features of XBOOT so I cannot make a comparison. A particularly convenient

feature of Super Boot is the ability assign various boot combinations to

function keys.

As Dick Paddock says, Ada is the DoD language. It is named after Ada, Countess of Lovelace (Lord Byron's daughter) because the name originally suggested, DOD0, was considered too inauspicious. I have been on a training course learn Ada but never had the opportunity to use it. It is a Pascal like language intended for embedded systems. APL on the other hand started life as a mathematical notation and was turned into a computer language at IBM. APL programming is just something I dabble in at home. At work I program mostly in FORTRAN with a bit of C. As for assembly languages, I have worked professionally with both 8086 and 68000. Of the two I much prefer 68000 as it is much 'cleaner' and better thought out instruction set.

Regarding new paradigms, I have my doubts about 'object oriented' methods being the universal panacea their proponents claim."

Dick Paddock tells Jon:

"The "A" language I associate with DoD is Ada..."

Jon tells Chas:

"Is APL related to PL1? I read a book about that a long time ago it seemed clearer than a lot of more modern Languages. Superboot isn't the PD prg. I tried. XBOOT is very sexy. I took a course in FORTRAN we used TRS-80s it was weird. OOPS scares me it is a conspiracy to indoctrinate Hierarchical social control structures in to the soft quivering wet ware of innocents. If I wasn't gifted with a symmetrical brain learning impairment. 68K assm. would be my choice also. I think will just wait for "direct implants""

Sysop Ron Luks jumps in and adds:

"APL (A Programming Language) and PL1 (Programming Language One) are totally different. APL is a very cryptic, very mathematically oriented language developed for remote terminals. PL1 was an IBM creation which was extremely, extremely powerful, hard to learn, and not very popular in the computer community. I studied both in college and liked them both but neither garnered widespread commercial success."

Richard Blake asks:

"Could anyone tell me which of the graphics files I can view on my HP PC. I have several graphics programs, (Corel Photopaint, CorelDraw, WinCIM, Picem) but I am unfamiliar with the formats. I am specifically interested in the RRated ones.

Can any be converted with utilities?"

Chas Cartwright tells Richard:

"Any files with the .GIF extension should be viewable on a PC. I do not
know whether any of the programs you mention can load GIF files directly.
However, you will be able to find plenty of GIF viewer and conversion
programs for the PC on CIS. Try GO GRAPHICS for these and a great variety
of picture files. Graphics corner (GO CORNER) is particular well endowed
in the R-Rated department. However, the files in this forum's libraries
are mostly in Atari specific formats which are not viewable or convertible
on a PC as far as I know. Programs are available for the ST to convert
these formats to GIF but in my experience there is some loss of quality in
the translation. As this is a Atari forum do you also have access to an
ST?"

Bill Gibson asks:

"What's the best program to de-compress the *.ZIP files in the libraries
here. I have several but they all choked on some text files."

Sysop Keith Joins tells Bill:

"Visit the AtariPro forum (GO ATARIP) and look in library 4 for the latest
ST Zip program. I _think_ the filename is STZIP2.??? but a command of BRO
STZIP* in that library should locate it. If you can't find it leave a
message there and I'll get you the exact filename."

Curtis Miller asks:

"How can I run an archived file of a picture? After I download it to my
computer I then "unsqueeze it" or whatever the terminology is. But then
when I try to "run the File I get a "bad command or file name". I get it
on both LZH, and ARC picture files."

Sysop Bill Aycock tells Curtis:

"Once you get the file downloaded and decompressed, you need an
appropriate viewer program to look at the picture. Our viewers and
utilities are stored in LIB 14 here; you can find the one you need there,
or let us know what extensions your picture files have (like .PC1, .GIF,
.SPC) and we can recommend a viewer or two."

Sysop Bob Retelle posts:

"Ummm... Curtis, "Bad command or File Name" is an MS-DOS error message...

Are you trying to view Atari picture files on a PC..?

If that's the case, you'll need a picture viewing program that will allow
you to see the picture files.

If the pictures are normal GIFs, any PC viewer, like COMPUSHOW will work.

If the pictures are any of the "proprietary" graphics formats from the Atari ST, then it's not so simple.

There's a PC program that will display pictures created with the DEGAS art program (ones that have filename extensions of .PI1, .PI2 or .PI3) in the GRAPHSUPPORT forum. I believe the filename is something like DEGAVIEW.. (searching in the IBM File Finder with a keyword of DEGAS should find it).

If the pictures have an extension of .SPC, .SPU, or .SPX, it means they were created with the Spectrum 512 at program, and currently there is no MS-DOS program that can view them."

From the Atari Vendors Forum
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Michael Robillard tells us:

"I'm thinking about upgrading my present MEGA2 w/TOS102 and would to ask about the following.1)Accelerator Boards. I keep reading that the 8MHZ ATARI is on the way out and that I should upgrade to 16MHZ can I go beyond 16 or will it make my machine incompatible. 2)Hand Scanners.Do I need a monochrome monitor or do they work with color monitors too? 3)Hard Disks. For storage and access is a Hard Disk my best choice and if it is what should I be looking for to be sure that I can use it with my MEGA2.4)Modems Can I use a FAXMODEM as a regular modem or is it only used to send faxes.Also when buying a new modem besides speed what else should I be looking for to make sure it's compatible. If there are any other areas I should be upgrading please let me know."

Sysop Ron Luks tells Mike:

"In reverse order (just because I'm in that kind of mood this morning):

   4) Faxmodems are modems that *ALSO* have fax send/receive capability with the proper software. Highly recommended because you get all the features of a standard modem *AND* fax capabilities. I highly recommend the Supra unit with Charles Smeton's STraight FAX software.

   3) You definitely need a hard disk. The bigger the better. Let your wallet be your guide.

   2) Hand scanners (don't know much about these)

   1) I cant recommend any of the current accelerator boards with the possible exception of Dave Small's. I don't know what his shipping status is, but if he is shipping, his is the ONLY one I'd consider. That will give you a 68030. You will lose some software compatibility but gain some processing speed."

Scott Mueller asks a few questions:

"I am using my Atari Mega 2 ST mainly for my sequencing and studio work.
I am running the C-Lab Notator software with full SMPTE hardware.

I recently bought a Leading Edge 486sx computer with a 213 Meg Hard Drive,
and now the thought of using the Atari without a hard drive seems
pointless.

I have lived for years without retail support for my Atari, and now I am
in a position where I need some hardware. Where would I go to get a Hard
Disk for my computer?

Will regular HD work with the Mega 2? Or must it be an Atari
Product?"

Albert Dayes of Atari Explorer Magazine tells Scott:

"I know ICD did make an internal Host Adapter for the Mega ST series but
I'm not sure of the current Status.

There is also ICD's LINK as well. The software I like current is ICD
software.

SCSI hard drives prices very, check with your dealer on prices. ICD
prices are close to $100 which includes the HOST adapter or ICD LINK and
software (hard disk utilities).

There are also Atari dealers that will put one together for you if you
don't wish to "roll your own"."

John Zangrando tells Scott:

"I use my MSTE primarily for NOTATOR but have found many other uses for
it. I use all the Codehead stuff and got a very fast 130 Meg Maxtor H.D.
WITH the ICD Link and software at TOAD COMPUTER. I am very happy with
it."

Sysop Bob Retelle explains to Scott about using SCSI hard drives with
the ST series:

"To try to simplify things a little, you CAN use a "regular" Hard Drive
on your ST, but it has to have an Atari specific interface.

The easiest way to go about it is to buy a Hard Drive unit that is
specifically set up for use on an Atari. In that case it's just a matter
of plugging it in and using it.

You can also assemble a Hard Drive yourself from components sold by
various suppliers if you're handy with electronic devices.

I don't know if Atari Corp is still selling any Hard Drives as separate
units. Most of the recent models have the drives built-in. There are
several other choices available for ST hard drives, including ICD, Supra
and ABCO."

Mike Mortilla asks about ICD's "The Link":

"Will the Link work with a Quantum ELS85S? I'd like to purchase one used
and run it from an ST using the Link (this will be the second Link I'll be
buying from you!).

Your prompt reply is appreciated as the seller would like to get the thing
shipped and out of his life <g>."

Jim Ness tells Mike:

"Yes, the Link will work with any SCSI drive, which the ELS85S is. Since
you're buying it used, it will even have the jumper settings right.

I'm getting mine new, and I have to remove the parity jumper - assuming I
can figure out where it is - and make sure the device ID is set right.

The only question on the Link is whether the ICD software has a "copy" of
the ELS specs, so it can format the drive. Since ICD is the industry
leader, I'm sure it's covered, or can be via an update of the formatter."

Mike does some checking and tells Jim:

"...I checked with ICD voice today and was told that it will
only work with the ELS drives if parity is disabled. Being a total nerd
when it comes to the programming end of this sort of thing, I'll have to
call the seller and find out if it has been disabled. But ICD said that
parity must be disabled thru software. <sigh>

Would this drive fit in my Stacy I wonder??? Hmmmmmmmmm."

Jim replies:

"I believe this drive would fit the STacy. It's a 1" high 3.5" drive, and
I think that's the form factor Atari used in the STacy.

But, my understanding is that disassembling a STacy is a nightmare."

Mike tells Jim:

"I've heard all about the Stacy nightmare!!!

Any thoughts on parity? If it is disabled via software or physically? If
via software, once it's disabled, does it need to be disabled after a
crash (will it default to enabled?) ICD said the ELS drives need to be
disabled (parity) in order to work w/ the ST and the Link and that it
could only be disabled via software on a TT.

Hmmmmmmmm. Curiouser and curiouser."

Joe Moses posts:

"In the latest Gemulator ver. 3.0 (by PMC) they state 'Spectre/GCR will not be supported at the request of Gadgets by Small.'   I am wondering why."

Mark at Gadgets by Small tells Joe:

"I have not spoken with Dave regarding this matter but I can probably guess the reason. I believe it would have something to do with the fact that Gemulator was/is providing a spot on the board for the Mac ROMs. If that be the case, someone could use the Spectre software without the need for the Spectre cartridge.   This could result in some dishonest persons "borrowing" a copy of the Spectre software and running Spectre on their Gemulator. Gadgets wouldn't receive any monies for the use of their software.

Again, this is just my guess. But I betcha it's pretty close to the fact."

Joe tells Mark:

"I understand the concern you have. Perhaps, Dave could release a special version of Spectre (say a version 4.0) that would support this Gemulator option? Or perhaps a hardware "key" in combination with a new software release would work?

Point I'm trying to make is, the power and appeal of the Gemulator, once it can run MAC software, will, in a word, be LARGE!

As developers and power users, should we stand in the way of this *revolution*!"

Mark tells Joe:

"One of the other considerations is if it is financially feasible to create a special release of Spectre (which probably would require some other form of hardware "key") for Gemulator. When you consider that 68040-based color Macs are selling for under $1200, a business has to wonder if they will get any kind of a return on their investment.

Doing it because it is a "hacker" thing or just to prove that you >can< do it is one thing. Paying the bills is another ballgame."

Dazzz Smith asks Rick Flashman of Gribnif Software:

"How's the Beta testing of Geneva going Rick? I haven't heard anything publicly from any of the Beta testers yet?"

Rick tells Dazzz:

"Pretty good and pretty hectic! We've receive incredible valuable
information from our beta testers which has helped solve 3-4 problems that
were affected a whole series of programs that we had never tried. Most of
the reports we get now have been already fixed. We are not concentrating
on one or two remaining ones, getting MiNT working right (easier said than
done), and the Geneva manual."

Dazzz, not one to leave questions un-asked, continues:

"So your still on schedule for the release version of Geneva then?"

Rick tells Dazzz:

"Pretty much. Dan and I are having a meeting about that tomorrow. The
program seems to be there, though there are one or two things we would
like to try out (Cubase for example). The manual is taking form pretty
well. I think at this point we "could" ship it by Sept. 1st, but I think
we are going to maybe wait until Glendale (two weeks after that) to see if
we can get those one or two issues resolved."

     Well folks, I didn't realize that this column had gotten so long.
I'm going to leave out the Portfolio Forum this week, but never fear;
it'll be back in spades next week (besides, both Sysop BJ Gleason and Don
Thomas would hunt me down and kill me if I left the "Port Stuff" out two
weeks in a row.

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13751 ROCKVILLE              MD  USA  MED        C  301/309-1501 Y
14510 SALISBURY              MD  USA  LOW        C  410/543-8575 Y
14512 PORTLAND               ME  USA  LOW        C  207/828-0072 Y
10307 ANN ARBOR              MI  USA  MED        C  313/973-0166 Y
 5623 BATTLE CREEK           MI  USA  LOW        C  616/964-7733 Y
6012  BURTON                 MI  USA  LOW        C  313/743-5396 Y
 7005 DETROIT                MI  USA  HIGH       C  313/964-1225 Y
10715 FREELAND               MI  USA  LOW        C  517/695-9766 Y
14105 GRAND RAPIDS           MI  USA  MED        C  616/458-9252 Y
 3146 JACKSON                MI  USA  LOW        C  517/783-1114 Y
12320 KALAMAZOO              MI  USA  MED        C  616/388-4340 Y
14114 LANSING                MI  USA  MED        C  517/372-9511 Y
11010 SOUTHFIELD             MI  USA  MED        C  313/557-2106 Y
14337 MANKATO                MN  USA  LOW        C  507/345-4177 Y
 2377 MINNEAPOLIS            MN  USA  HIGH       C  612/338-0845 Y
13762 ROCHESTER              MN  USA  LOW        C  507/288-1864 Y
13750 ST. CLOUD              MN  USA  LOW        C  612/656-0991 Y
 2377 ST. PAUL/MINNEAPOLIS   MN  USA  HIGH       C  612/338-0845 Y
 6676 BRIDGETON              MO  USA  HIGH       C  314/291-6744 Y
 5350 SPRINGFIELD            MO  USA  LOW        C  417/889-9209 Y
 6515 CHARLOTTE              NC  USA  HIGH       C  704/329-0104 Y
14073 DURHAM                 NC  USA  HIGH       C  919/406-0076 Y
14650 GREENSBORO             NC  USA  MED        C  919/274-0719 Y
 6170 WINSTON-SALEM          NC  USA  MED        C  919/765-0500 Y
13711 BISMARCK               ND  USA  LOW        C  701/223-9365 Y
14253 LINCOLN                NE  USA  LOW        C  402/464-2103 Y
14000 OMAHA                  NE  USA  MED        C  402/393-5935 Y
13734 MANCHESTER             NH  USA  LOW        C  603/626-0040 Y
 4771 NASHUA                 NH  USA  MED        C  603/882-4168 Y
14374 ATLANTIC CITY          NJ  USA  LOW        C  609/441-8290 Y
 2340 ELIZABETH/NEWARK       NJ  USA  HIGH       C  201/824-4201 Y
5463  ENGLEWOOD              NJ  USA  MED        C  201/816-1642 y
 2340 JERSEY CITY/NEWARK     NJ  USA  HIGH       C  201/824-4201 Y
 2340 NEWARK                 NJ  USA  HIGH       C  201/824-4201 Y
13366 PATERSON               NJ  USA  MED        C  201/523-8622 Y
 6314 PENNSAUKEN             NJ  USA  LOW        C  609/665-0637 Y
10716 PISCATAWAY             NJ  USA  HIGH       C  908/562-0570 Y
10153 PRINCETON/SO. BRNSWK   NJ  USA  HIGH       C  609/452-8388 Y
14536 RAHWAY                 NJ  USA  LOW        C  908/574-9278 Y
 6013 RED BANK               NJ  USA  LOW        C  908/224-0873 Y
10153 SOUTH BRUNSWICK        NJ  USA  HIGH       C  609/452-8388 Y
11305 UNION CITY             NJ  USA  HIGH       C  201/617/9069 Y
 2340 UNION/NEWARK           NJ  USA  HIGH       C  201/824-4201 Y
12760 ALBUQUERQUE            NM  USA  MED        C  505/243-0699 Y
14031 LAS CRUCES             NM  USA  LOW        C  505/527-8593 Y
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14325 CARSON CITY          NV  USA  MED       C  702/885-0188 Y
 6674 LAS VEGAS            NV  USA  MED       C  702/795-3700 Y
 3520 ALBANY               NY  USA  MED       C  518/446-0054 Y
 7011 BUFFALO              NY  USA  MED       C  716/893-9622 Y
 3540 HEMPSTEAD            NY  USA  MED       C  516/565-0111 Y
14671 MELVILLE             NY  USA  HIGH      C  516/420-4190 Y
 3540 MINEOLA/HEMPSTEAD    NY  USA  MED       C  516/565-0111 Y
10067 NEW YORK             NY  USA  HIGH      C  212/269-4640 Y
 2304 NEW YORK             NY  USA  HIGH      C  212/269-4640 Y
10070 NEW YORK             NY  USA  HIGH      C  212/269-4640 Y
 7162 PERINTON/PITTSFORD   NY  USA  HIGH      C  716/586-4100 Y
 7162 PITTSFORD            NY  USA  HIGH      C  716/586-4100 Y
 7162 ROCHESTER/PITTSFORD  NY  USA  HIGH      C  716/586-4100 Y
14647 SYRACUS              NY  USA  MED       C  315/463-4636 Y
 7240 WHITE PLAINS         NY  USA  HIGH      C  914/761-5377 Y
 6454 AKRON                OH  USA  MED       C  216/434-0014 Y
14161 CANTON               OH  USA  LOW       C  216/453-6407 Y
 7140 CINCINNATI           OH  USA  HIGH      C  513/489-1032 Y
 4063 CLEVELAND            OH  USA  HIGH      C  216/696-0545 Y
 2272 DAYTON               OH  USA  MED       C  513/454-2044 Y
14576 DUBLIN               OH  USA  HIGH      C  614/798-2131 Y
 5345 TOLEDO               OH  USA  MED       C  419/255-7146 Y
 6506 OKLAHOMA CITY        OK  USA  HIGH      C  405/787-0684 Y
 3051 TULSA                OK  USA  HIGH      C  918/585-8400 Y
13747 EUGENE               OR  USA  LOW       C  503/343-2524 Y
13275 PORTLAND             OR  USA  HIGH      C  503/225-1918 Y
 3077 BETHLEHEM            PA  USA  MED       C  215/882-3883 Y
10133 ERIE                 PA  USA  LOW       C  814/459-0307 Y
14264 LANCASTER            PA  USA  LOW       C  717/581-9350 Y
14664 LEMOYNE              PA  USA  MED       C  717/975-8168 Y
 2145 NORRISTOWN           PA  USA  MED       C  215/666-1984 Y
 3707 PHILADELPHIA         PA  USA  HIGH      C  215/629-0567 Y
 6570 PITTSBURGH           PA  USA  HIGH      C  412/642-2271 Y
14673 READING              PA  USA  LOW       C  215/796-9108 Y
14734 WILKES BARRE         PA  USA  LOW       C  717/823-5523 Y
14252 YORK                 PA  USA  LOW       C  717/848-4595 Y
 2657 PAWTUCKET/PROVIDENCE RI  USA  HIGH      C  401/751-8030 Y
 2657 PROVIDENCE           RI  USA  HIGH      C  401/751-8030 Y
 2657 WARWICK/PROVIDENCE   RI  USA  HIGH      C  401/751-8030 Y
12024 COLUMBIA             SC  USA  MED       C  803/771-6608 Y
 7272 GREENVILLE           SC  USA  MED       C  803/370-9014 Y
14277 MYRTLE BEACH         SC  USA  LOW       C  803/626-9335 Y
13763 SIOUX FALLS          SD  USA  LOW       C  605/331-6467 Y
14505 CHATTANOOGA          TN  USA  MED       C  615/266-9693 Y
11755 KNOXVILLE            TN  USA  MED       C  615/693-5324 Y
12045 MEMPHIS              TN  USA  MED       C  901/521-1303 Y
 3611 NASHVILLE            TN  USA  HIGH      C  615/889-4044 Y
13776 AMARILLO             TX  USA  LOW       C  806/359-1124 Y
 3523 AUSTIN               TX  USA  HIGH      C  512/448-4611 Y
13165 BRYAN                TX  USA  LOW       C  409/823-4900 Y
11054 CORPUS CHRISTI       TX  USA  MED       C  512/289-1981 Y
13120 DALLAS               TX  USA  HIGH      C  214/637-3012 Y
13137 EL PASO              TX  USA  MED       C  915/533-0035 Y
10571 FT. WORTH            TX  USA  LOW       C  817/332-5923 Y
10713 HOUSTON              TX  USA  HIGH      C  713/870-8381 Y
13707 LONGVIEW             TX  USA  LOW       C  903/757-3355 Y
14432 LUBBOCK              TX  USA  LOW       C  806/799-8993 Y
14410 MIDLAND              TX  USA  LOW       C  915/561-8108 Y
13724 SAN ANGELO           TX  USA  LOW       C  915/653-3300 Y
 7524 SAN ANTONIO          TX  USA  HIGH      C  210/225-3213 Y
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 3043 TYLER                   TX USA LOW        C  903/509-2707 Y
13720 WACO                    TX USA LOW        C  817/776-0773 Y
14427 WICHITA FALLS           TX USA LOW        C  817/723-6248 Y
10046 PROVO                   UT USA LOW        C  801/373-5614 Y
13246 SALT LAKE CITY          UT USA HIGH       C  801/364-7605 Y
14263 ALEXANDRIA              VA USA LOW        C  318/448-0174 Y
 6264 ALEXANDRIA/FAIRFAX      VA USA HIGH       C  703/385-7587 Y
 6265 ALEXANDRIA/FAIRFAX      VA USA HIGH       C  703/385-7587 Y
 6264 ARLINGTON/FAIRFAX       VA USA HIGH       C  703/385-7587 Y
 6265 ARLINGTON/FAIRFAX       VA USA HIGH       C  703/385-7587 Y
11310 CHARLOTTESVILLE         VA USA LOW        C  804/977-9610 Y
 6264 FAIRFAX                 VA USA HIGH       C  703/385-7587 Y
 6265 FAIRFAX                 VA USA HIGH       C  703/385-7587 Y
14707 NEWPORT NEWS            VA USA MED        C  804/595-7180 Y
11740 NORFOLK                 VA USA MED        C  804/858-2707 Y
 5142 RICHMOND                VA USA MED        C  804/330-0002 Y
14203 ROANOKE                 VA USA LOW        C  703/344-0412 Y
 4453 BELLEVUE/SEATTLE        WA USA HIGH       C  206/283-3677 Y
12517 KENNEWICK               WA USA MED        C  509/783-2201 Y
 4453 SEATTLE                 WA USA HIGH       C  206/283-3677 Y
12517 SPOKANE                 WA USA MED        C  509/455-7091 Y
 4513 VANCOUVER               WA USA LOW        C  206/576-6830 y
13753 EAU CLAIRE              WI USA LOW        C  715/833-7608 Y
14363 GREEN BAY               WI USA LOW        C  414/432-0293 y
 6675 MADISON                 WI USA HIGH       C  608/242-1016 Y
 2404 MILWAUKEE/BROOKFIELD WI USA HIGH          C  414/796-1087 Y
14136 CHARLESTON              WV USA LOW        C  304/342-6413 Y
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 * Node 4003 is listed for many different countries. It represents the
   Enhanced Global Connection Service which includes nodes: 2576, 3512,
   3513, and 4003.

 B=BELL 103/113 (300 bps) or BELL 212A (1200 bps) compatible modems
 C=CCITT V.21(300 bps) or CCITT V.22 bis(2400 bps) or CCITT V.32
   compatible modems

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          DOMESTIC ASYNCHRONOUS DIAL SERVICE AT 9600 BPS

                         V.32 9600   V.29 9600
ST AC   CITY   BPS   BPS   CLASS

In-WATS 800   546-2500   546-2000   -

AL 205 Birmingham   328-5719   B
AR 501 Little Rock   375-4177   B
AZ 602 Phoenix   254-1903   254-0040   A
AZ 602 Tuscon   620-0658   B
CA 714 Colton   824-5571   B
CA 619 Escondido   738-0203   B
CA 209 Fresno   233-6928   B
CA 714 Garden Grove   898-3132   B
CA 818 Glendale   507-0511   B
CA 213 Los Angeles   937-5526   937-0233   A

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CA 310 Marina Del Rey      306-3450                              B
CA 510 Oakland             836-3844                              B
CA 415 Palo Alto           856-4854                              B
CA 916 Sacramento          448-0820                              B
CA 415 San Carlos          591-8578                              B
CA 619 San Diego           233-1025                              B
CA 415 San Francisco       956-2256           956-6317           A
CA 408 San Jose            294-9067                              B
CA 310 San Pedro           548-7146                              B
CA 714 Santa Ana           558-1501                              B
CA 805 Santa Barbara       965-3326                              B
CA 707 Santa Rosa          523-1048                              B
CA 818 Woodland Hills      887-7420                              B
CO 719 Colorado Springs    632-0278                              B
CO 303 Denver              745-3285           337-3304           A
CT 203 Bridgeport          332-7400                              B
CT 203 Danbury             778-2022                              B
CT 203 Hartford            560-1385                              B
CT 203 New Haven           624-5945                              B
CT 203 Stamford            961-8371                              B
DE 302 Newark              477-1745                              B
DC 202 Washington          659-2733           429-9145           A
FL 407 Boca Raton          367-0732                              B
FL 305 Ft Lauderdale       764-0318                              B
FL 904 Jacksonville        353-1137                              B
FL 904 Gainesville         331-3799                              B
FL 305 Miami               358-5349           372-9684           A
FL 407 Orlando             246-0851                              B
FL 813 St Petersburg       327-7024                              B
FL 904 Tallahassee         222-0533                              B
FL 813 Tampa               221-3713                              B
FL 407 West Palm Beach     820-9391                              B
GA 404 Atlanta             688-1212           523-5512           A
HI 808 Oahu                536-3886 (1)                          -
IL 708 Arlington Heights   670-9522                              A
IL 708 Aurora              896-9802                              B
IL 312 Chicago             938-5462           938-4401           A
IN 317 Indianapolis        299-2593                              B
IN 219 Ft. Wayne           422-8013                              B
IN 219 South Bend          288-2355                              B
IA 515 Des Moines          288-4626                              B
KS 316 Wichita             729-9888                              B
KY 606 Lexington           231-7717                              B
KY 502 Louisville          583-1209                              B
LA 504 New Orleans         524-7442           524-7337           A
LA 504 Baton Rouge         293-6010                              A
MD 410 Baltimore           244-0470           727-2044           A
MA 617 Boston              338-0002           292-9522           A
MA 413 Springfield         747-3700                              B
MA 508 Worcester           791-7630                              B
MI 313 Ann Arbor           741-8488           996-0035           A
MI 313 Detroit             965-3011           964-3133           A
MI 616 Grand Rapids        774-5958                              B
MI 517 Lansing             482-0120                              B
MI 313 Warren              573-7300                              B
MN 612 Minneapolis         332-0033           341-0324           A
MO 816 Kansas City         421-5783           221-9407           A
MO 314 St Louis            421-1376           421-0872           A
NE 402 Omaha               341-4622                              B
NV 702 Las Vegas           737-1752                              B
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NV 702 Reno                   324-1718                              B
NJ 908 Freehold               780-2680                              B
NJ 201 Hackensack             488-1726                              B
NJ 609 Marlton                424-1144                              B
NJ 201 Morristown             605-1836                              B
NJ 908 New Brunswick          220-0405                              B
NJ 201 Newark                 624-8843        623-0900              A
NJ 201 Paterson               279-4515                              B
NJ 609 Princeton              799-2266        799-0244              B
NM 505 Albuquerque            246-8950                              B
NY 518 Albany                 433-0092                              B
NY 716 Buffalo                847-8181                              B
NY 516 Deer Park              254-6021                              B
NY 516 Hempstead              292-2820                              B
NY 212 New York City          206-0256        633-1117              A
NY 914 Poughkeepsie           471-6728                              B
NY 716 Rochester              546-6998                              B
NY 315 Syracuse               448-0021                              B
NY 914 White Plains           949-6878                              B
NC 704 Charlotte              332-4023        332-3705              A
NC 919 Greensboro             299-6600                              B
NC 919 Raleigh                781-9976                              B
NC 919 Res Tri Park           549-0542                              B
OH 513 Cincinnati             579-1593        579-1583              A
OH 216 Cleveland              575-0811        575-1308              A
OH 614 Columbus               461-8671        463-9110              A
OH 513 Dayton                 461-4600                              B
OH 419 Toledo                 255-7010                              B
OK 405 Oklahoma City          270-0028                              B
OK 918 Tulsa                  584-6935                              B
OR 503 Portland               295-0337        295-2936              A
PA 215 Allentown              435-8118                              B
PA 717 Harrisburg             236-1186                              B
PA 215 King of Prussia        265-2812                              B
PA 215*Philadelphia           854-0589        977-9303              A
PA 412 Pittsburgh             281-8326        281-8782              A
RI 401 Providence             453-5353                              B
SC 803 Charleston             723-7342                              B
SC 803 Columbia               254-0038                              B
SC 803 Greenville             232-7832                              B
TN 615 Knoxville              523-4031                              B
TN 901 Memphis                525-5201                              B
TN 615 Nashville              726-1213                              B
TX 512 Austin                 929-0078                              B
TX 214 Dallas                 653-0840        748-3541              A
TX 817 Ft Worth               332-1015        332-8424              B
TX 713 Houston                228-0705        227-1760              A
TX 915 San Angelo             944-0376                              B
TX 210*San Antonio            225-1191                              B
UT 801 Salt Lake City         355-9030                              B
VA 703 Herndon                787-6719                              B
VA 804 Norfolk                340-8930                              B
VA 804 Richmond               225-0021                              B
WA 206 Seattle                625-1386        625-9008              A
WI 608 Madison                257-8330                              B
WI 414 Milwaukee              271-2420        271-2238              A
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(1) International data rates apply.

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              INTERNATIONAL ASYNCHRONOUS DIAL SERVICE
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             CITY
   COUNTRY   CODE   CITY          300/1200 BPS    2400 BPS    9600 BPS
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   Australia+   8   Adelaide         373-4734     373-4734    373-4734
   Australia+   7   Brisbane         236-1082     236-1082    236-1082
   Australia+   6   Canberra         257-5055     257-5055    257-5055
   Australia+   3   Melbourne        764-0421     764-0421    764-0421
   Australia+   9   Perth            481-1122     481-1122    481-1122
   Australia+   2   Sydney           281-0800     281-0800    281-0800
   Austria      1   Vienna           504-2811     504-2811    504-2811
   Belgium      2   Brussels         725-3400     725-3400    725-3400
   Bulgaria     2 * Sophia            73-361       73-361      73-361
   Canada     514   Montreal         392-0202     392-0202    392-0202
   Canada     416   Toronto          594-1121     594-1121    594-1121
   Canada     604   Vancouver        684-4696     684-4696    684-4696
   Colombia     1 * Bogota           320-3811     320-3811    320-3811
   Denmark+     1 * Copenhagen     32-96-1511   32-96-1511  32-96-1511
   Finland      0   Helsinki         146-3022     146-3022    146-3022
   France       2 * Lille            065-3260     065-3260    065-3260
   France       7 * Lyon             864-5095     864-5095    864-5095
   France       1   Paris           6928-0404    6928-0404   6928-0404
   France       9 * Sofia Antipolis  296-0049     296-0049    296-0049
   Germany     69   Frankfurt        666-9151     666-9151    666-9151
   Germany+    40   Hamburg          279-5411     279-5411    279-5411
   Germany+   511   Hannover         879-1800     879-1800    879-1800
   Germany+    89   Munich           369-031      369-031     369-031
   Hong Kong  852   Hong Kong        754-8442     754-8442    754-8442
   Indonesia   21   Jakarta          386-1044     386-1044    386-1044
   Ireland      1   Dublin           661-4466     661-4466    661-4466
   Italy        2   Milan            953-01301    953-01301   953-01301
   Japan        6   Osaka            910-7111     910-7111    910-7111
   Japan        3   Tokyo           3794-6381    3794-6381   3794-6381
   Kuwait+          Kuwait City      484-4133     484-4133    484-4155
   Luxembourg       Echternach       727-788      727-788     727-788
   Netherlands 01719  Noordwijk (Amsterdam) 46370      46370       46370
   New Zealand+ 9   Auckland         358-4491     358-4491    358-4491
   New Zealand+ 4   Wellington       499-3617     499-3617    499-3617
   Norway      66   Oslo             845-011      845-011     845-011
   Portugal     1   Lisbon           395-5445     395-5445    395-5445
   Romania      0   Bucharest       1311-2525    1311-2525   1311-2525
   Puerto Rico 809  San Juan         273-7400     273-7400    273-7400
   Singapore   65   Singapore        738-0566     738-0566    738-0566
   Spain        3 * Barcelona        335-9000     335-9000    335-9000
   Spain        1   Madrid           766-2122     766-2122    766-2122
   Sweden+      8 * Stockholm       751-15-15    751-15-15   751-15-15
   Switzerland 31   Bern              26-1049      26-1049     26-1049
   Switzerland 13   Zurich            02-8868      02-8868     02-8868
   U.K.        25   Basingstoke      660-0061     660-0061    660-0061
   U.K.        31   Edinburg, Scotland 459-1290   459-1290    459-1290
   U.K.        71   London           973-1030     973-1030    973-1030
   U.K.       061 * Manchester       747-5000     747-5000    747-5000
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Venezuela       2  Caracas              993-0364     993-0364     993-0364
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  of these changes.

+ Please note dial-in access procedures are slightly different than
  standard SprintNet procedures. If you need assistance, please contact
  Customer Service in Reston, VA at 703-318-7740.

!!!!!!! Please note, the foregoing includes only 9600 <complete> access,
some slower nodes are listed, however, many other access points exist at
speeds lower than 9600.   Some of these numbers support 9600 and lower
speeds, most are 9600 only, with the exception of the Sprintnet
international listings, which include only those cities where 9600, as
well as lower speeds, are available. I did not edit out the low speed
numbers there, but did edit out all points where 9600 access was not
available....

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            $8/hour prime time (EST 9am - 7pm weekdays)

Choose from two great subscription plans:

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Pay just $30 for a 6-month Membership and receive a usage credit that
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We'll give you a $25 usage credit to use in your favorite premium services
or try out new ones. You could save as much as $45. NVN   now offers
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customers may have their NVN online charges automatically debited from
their personal checking accounts. Please contact Client Services for this
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                    or via modem phone 1-800-336-9092.

                              NVN Highlights
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1.   For the newcomers ....
2.   NEW (MODIFIED) REFERRAL PROGRAM LET'S YOU EARN $10 USAGE CREDITS!
3.   A library built *just* for business people
4.   Board Certified Psychiatrist heads up the new Substance Abuse Forum
5.   VETERANS: Please report to the Military Forum <GO MILITARY> for C&D.
6.   Step out into the Great Outdoors Forum <GO OUTDOORS>
7.   We've got just the cure for your medical information needs
8.   The Diabetes & Hypoglycemia Support Forum is now online.
9.   SOUND OFF!!! Take our Game Survey
10. Let's talk about Coins
11. Call all DISNEYphiles! Join the gang! <GO AMERICA>.
12. Amiga Forum now available for Amiga and Desktop Video enthusiasts!
13. NEW Email enhancements are on-line. Including personal mailing lists!

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> NOVA CARD NEWS! STR InfoFile   NOVA SPECS and UPDATE NEWS!
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NOTICE:

                        SPECIAL NOVA CARD UPDATE
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Announcement from Lexicor Software Corp.

As of the 19th July 1993, the Special NOVA Deal offered by Lexicor
Software for the NOVA Graphics Card was over.   The NOVA Mega and the NOVA
VME 16M will now both have the same price of 599.99 U$D.   The price for
the SUPERNOVA has not changed and will cost: 999.99 U$D

The 32K Graphic Card is only available on Special Order and will cost 429

U$D both the Mega and the VME. For these Card's there may be an added
handling Price.

Shipping cost are excluded from these prices.

Technical Specifications

NOVA Megabus 16M

Maximum Frame Rate   : 90Mhz
Video RAM   : 1 Megabyte
RAMtype   : DRAM
Maximum Color's   : 16,7 Million Colors (24bit)
Maximum Resolution (>70Hz): 1024x768 in 256 Color's
Maximum Resolution (15bit): 768x512
Maximum Resolution (24bit): 640x400
Virtual Resolution   : YES
Automatic REZ Switch   : YES
Upgradable   : YES
VDI for 24bit   : YES
VAG   : YES
HARDWARE Accelerator   : NO

NOVA VME 16M

Maximum Frame Rate   : 90MHz
Video RAM   : 1 Megabyte
RAMtype   : DRAM
Maximum Color's   : 16,7 Million Colors (24bit)
Maximum Resolution (>70Hz): 1088x832 in 256 Color's
Maximum Resolution (15bit): 800x600
Maximum Resolution (24bit): 640x480
Virtual Resolution   : YES
Automatic REZ Switch   : YES
Upgradable   : YES
VDI for 24bit   : YES
VAG   : YES
HARDWARE Accelerator   : NO

SUPERNOVA

Maximum Frame Rate   : 135MHz
Video RAM   : 2 Megabytes
RAMType   : VRAM
Maximum Color's   : 16,7 Million Colors (24bit)
Maximum Resolution (>70Hz): 1280x1024
Maximum Resolution (15bit): 1024x768
Maximum Resolution (24bit): 800x600
Virtual Resolution   : YES
Automatic REZ Switch   : YES
Upgradeable   : YES
VDI for 24bit   : YES
VAG   : YES
HARDWARE Accelerator   : YES

For more information check our previous releases on the NOVA Card. The
Virtual Resolution are programmable via the VAG. The VDI of the NOVA has
proven to be very compatible with our Software and many other Software
applications as well.

There is also a NOVA Special disk available soon that has some NOVA
Specific program's on it, including NOVA Mines, the game, and the special
Calamus SL driver that will enable Calamus SL to run in 15/16bit in
15/16bit color mode.

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> WP & D.O.D. STR InfoFile
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                  WORDPERFECT 5.2 FOR WINDOWS
                         SELECTED FOR
                  DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PACKAGE

     WordPerfect 5.2 for Windows Selected for Ease of Use and Powerful
Features.   WordPerfect 5.2 for Windows is now part of a complete office
automation package offered to the Department of Defense through the Small
Multiuser Computer contract. EDS, awarded the SMC contract in 1990 to
provide products and services to the Department of Defense, recently
announced that WordPerfect 5.2 for Windows is included in the SMC software
package along with Harvard Graphics, Superbase, Lotus 1-2-3 and Lotus
Organizer.

"SMC is providing this new product package to ensure that the Department
of Defense community has access to the most advanced computer software,"
said Kim Luke, SMC program manager for EDS. "We want to offer products
that facilitate the department's move to Windows-based applications."

According to Luke, WordPerfect 5.2 for Windows was added to the SMC
product lineup because it is one of the best-selling word processors and
comes with both Grammatik 5, the best-selling grammar checker, and Adobe
Type Manager. Grammatik 5 works intuitively to proofread documents for
grammar, style, and punctuation while ATM improves the on-screen and

printed appearance of fonts.

"After comparing the leading word processing software applications, we
selected WordPerfect 5.2 for Windows because it offers user-friendly and
powerful features," said Luke. "We think WordPerfect 5.2 for Windows
offers members of the Department of Defense community the tools they need
to increase their efficiency."

EDS has operations in more than 30 countries, employs more than 70,000
people, and is a leader in applying information technology to meet the
needs of businesses and governments around the world. The company's stock
is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol GME. Revenues
for 1992 were $8.2 billion.

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> LEXICOR OFF GENIE! STR Spotlight STRT's DARLAH GIVES LEXICOR THE BOOT!
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PRESS RELEASE
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                    LEXICOR & GENIE PART COMPANY!
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For immediate distribution 8-27-93

     Lexicor software is no longer available to its or Atari customers on
the Genie Information Services.

     Lexicor was informed after the removal of all it's commercial access
flags (Free Flags) that the action was due to the decision of the Atari
Round table that statements made by Lexicor's CEO were viewed as meant to
harm Genie information services and the ATARI roundtable.

     Lexicor was informed that the commercial access might be restored if
Lexicor's CEO made public retractions of all adverse statements made in
public and private to include the complaint to the FTC. Lexicor viewed
this demand to mean that any continued or future access would depend on
Lexicor's agreement to refrain from making any future statements that
might be viewed as harmful to Genie or the ATARI roundtable.

     Lexicor was informed that the removal of it's commercial access was
not due to a lack of support of it's topic area or consumer support. In
the first year on Genie Lexicor had over 12,000 down-loads and over 2,000
messages in it's support area.

     Lexicor's TOS manager requested specific information to determine

what Statements were referred to by the Atari Roundtable as being objectionable. No Specific information was made available to Lexicor.

Any one who has an opinion or objection to the loss of access to Lexicor support on Genie under the existing circumstances might consider using the Genie "FEED-BACK" line.

There are quite a few authors who have software which is published and distributed by Lexicor. These authors may by their own choice remain on genie, this is a personal decision which each will make.

Lexicor will be doing a mass E-Mailing to all Lexicor users on Genie with a special CIS FREE-Sign-up Offer through Lexicor.

Lexicor is not moving to CIS....Lexicor has been on CIS for the past 5 years where it has maintained it's own LIBS and support area. Lexicor has arranged to open new areas in addition to the existing areas on CIS and has been given an expanded LIB for many new files. Lexicor will continue as it has in the past to support it's products 24 hours a day 365 days a year. In addition Lexicor will again this Fall be offering On line Computer Graphics classes. This years classes will focus on the latest 24 Bit applications and hardware available through Lexicor. There are many new software programs which will be released in the coming weeks beginning around the Second week of September. Watch CIS for coming events and announcements.

Lexicor will be announcing details of a wider variety of products including Word Processors, Desk Top Publishing Applications, Data Base Applications, System management software,   and several new hardware products including 24 bit support for Genlocks, image scanners and much more graphic hardware.

Lexicor will also detail it's special offer to Registered Lexicor software owners, who will receive free sign-up kits for Compuserve, major discounts on all Lexicor products, to Lexicor's news letter subscribers and a fantastic "Free" VIDEO tape of the latest LEXICOR generated 15/16-24bit color animations for all new CIS sign-ups. (if you are already on CIS you can get this free offer through the new News letter).

Lexicor will also detail it's hardware and software trade-in policy for users who wish to upgrade to Lexicor products from selected Graphics hardware and DTP applications.

Lee@Lexicor

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> EXCLUSIVE LEXICOR INTERVIEW! STR FOCUS!
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EXCLUSIVE STReport INTERVIEW
WITH
LEE SEILER OF LEXICOR

Q: STReport
    Is it true that lexicor is permanently off Genie?

A: LEXICOR
    Yes

Q: STReport
    Did you leave or were you asked to leave?

A: LEXICOR
    Our commercial access was dropped by the system.

Q: STReport
    What do you mean by Commercial access?

A: LEXICOR
    I mean that all remaining Free flags were dropped or removed. What
ever you call it...

Q: STReport
    What do you mean by remaining, I thought that all the Lexicor Flags
were in effect?

A: LEXICOR
    No, one of the Flags was dropped a while back with a warning we were
on probation for another month.

Q: STReport
    When did the remaining flags disappear?

A: LEXICOR
    While we were at the SIGGRAPH show.

Q: STReport
    Did you receive any notice that this action would be taken?

A: LEXICOR
    If you mean a warning that we had failed probation? the answer is not
that I am aware of.

Q: STReport
    Do you know what statements that you are supposed to have made
triggered the closing of your access?

A: LEXICOR
    NO, we asked but received only a vague response.

Q: STReport
    I have heard that you still do have a free flag? is that true?

A: LEXICOR
    No, every staff member logged into the Lexicor flag accounts just to
check to see if the Flags were missing. No Lexicor account or company

employee or officer"s account carried a flags notice after SIGGRAPH.

Q: STReport
     If you just remain on Genie what would the economic impact
be for Lexicor and Lexicor prices?

A: LEXICOR
     Our cost at prevailing Genie rates and considering the number of
individuals who support the Lexicor areas, and taking in to account the
heavy traffic in the Lexicor areas, I estimate our annual cost would be
something like $10,800 Give or take some.

Q: STReport
     Was this factor the only reason Lexicor support on Genie stopped?

A: LEXICOR
     If you mean the expense, only partly.

Q: STReport
     What other factors were considered?

A: LEXICOR
     I felt that by agreeing to publish a retraction to un-specified
statements I may or may not have made I would be handing over control of
every thing that Lexicor said and did in the pursuit of it's business to
our competitor. I felt the demand was so vague and ambiguous that even if
I agreed I would never know when Lexicor access might be cut off. There
would be no way of knowing what might be considered harmful to genie or
Atari and what was not. And there was also the problem that, If I
understood the objections correctly, I would have to retract things I
believe to be true.

Q: STReport
     Are you referring to your complaints of Conflict of interest and
interference by certain people in your business affairs on genie?

A: LEXICOR
     Something like that, but with out specific information as to what I
am supposed to have said in public and private I can't really be any more
specific?

Q: STReport
     What about the impact on the many users interested in computer
graphics?

A: LEXICOR
     I feel that the whole affair is unfair to Lexicor and the general
public. All we at Lexicor ever wanted was to be left alone to support our
wares, we rarely entered any one else's area or commented about the
products of others until after we were put upon by a competitor. We never
had the power to block any one else's messages nor did we ever object to
the sales practices of others except our order from you, Which BTW you
finally took care of.

Q: STReport
     Did you intend by any statements, what ever they might have been to
harm Genie or the Atari Round Table?

A: LEXICOR
     No not at all, Nothing I said, that I can see, could be harmful to
Genie, Atari, or the topic area, in and of it's self. If either were doing
anything that was against the law or in violation of any federal statutes,
that would be a situation of their own making. So far as I am aware I as a
citizen of the USA have a basic right to seek relief under the laws of the
land from certain unfair business practices. That is the way things are
done in this country, threw the criminal and civil courts. Settling
business disputes using any other methods is simply wrong.

Q: STReport
     I would like to go back to something you said...are you saying that
this whole thing is in part due to private conversations you are supposed
to have had?

A: LEXICOR
     Yes that's right, or at least that's what I now understand.

Q: STReport
     Do you have any Idea just which private conversations, with which
people are responsible for your loss of Commercial access flags as you
call them?

A: LEXICOR
     I have no Idea what private conversations are being referred to.

Q: STReport
     Do you think this is more trial by secret means?

A: LEXICOR
     NO COMMENT

Q: STReport
     Can you offer any suggestions as to what circumstances you would be

willing to return to Genie and Lexicor support ?

A: LEXICOR
     The only way I can see that would be fair and practical, would be a
situation in which Lexicor could function with out interference, That
Lexicor would not be open to having messages of any sort blocked or
modified. That Lexicor would not be subjected to business censorship.
That Lexicor would have the power to protect it's self from unfair
business practices. in the message base.

Q: STReport
     A final question? are you or have you reported this situation to the
FTC? (Federal Trade Commission)

A: LEXICOR

No COMMENT.

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> WHAT'S REALLY GOING ON HERE?? STR FOCUS! LEXICOR LOSES FLAGS & CATEGORY
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                          EDITORIAL NOTE
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      There comes a time when one is, by the nature of the situation,
forced to believe either one or the other party in a given incident.
Luckily, we at STReport have the benefit of past experience upon which to
lean. As such, when all this began we simply went back through our
copious quantities of captures where we were spoon fed every rational and
not so rational reason for the events that we were busy capturing. Since
the very same basic scenario happened to us... it wasn't difficult to
predict the outcome when this matter with Lexicor first began to unfold.

      While we have made the choice on which parties to believe, either
Nathan & Darlah or Lexicor software, we ask that you too, as a reader and
user do the same... go back through our last six issues and read all the
interviews and then the message threads concerning the actions taken by
the sysops in the STRT and of course the IAAD's "eloquent" action. Making
note of the participants as you read it all... then make the decision as
to which of the parties is really more believable.

      Please "read" the BLURB being fed to the users upon login to the STRT
from its staff about "changes" to Lexicor's presence or, obvious lack of it.

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                          Atari ST RoundTable
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                  *** Attention Bulletin Board Users ***
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    P   Due to a request and a need to consolidate, you can now find your
    A   favorite Lexicor topics in Category 7. We apologize for any
    G   inconvenience this may cause.

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     Somehow or other, its rather difficult to believe that LEXICOR
"REQUESTED" their category be closed and their flags cancelled etc....

Just for the sake of truth, WHO MADE THIS "SO-CALLED" REQUEST??

     Consolidate??? now there's a "neat" word.... seems I've "heard"
that one BEFORE! I wonder where and when??? <big GRIN>   Nothing's
changed, the word games ...the head games ....the obvious. All very
purposefully generated * Confusion * (another VERY familiar word) to mask
the real facts.

     It really is difficult to not believe Lexicor... They make it so
very easy to believe Lexicor. What do you think?

     The Nathan & Darlah Show must really believe we _are_ all mushrooms!

> ATARI UNITED! STR InfoFile   An Overview......
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WHAT IS THIS ATARI UNITED! THING?
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     When ATARI UNITED! was first announced in an online conference on
DELPHI,   some DELPHI members had questions, which I'm sure others share,
about   the intent, focus and   reasoning behind ATARI UNITED!.   A
bit of history about the development of   this organization might help
begin to answer those questions.

     ATARI   UNITED!   was born out of the suspicion that more Atari TOS
computer owners   exist than most in the   active Atari   community
realize.   Patti and I have both had many experiences in which   we have
come into contact with owners who had no idea that a   thriving Atari
community still existed.   We have both been responsible for bringing ST
owners 'out-of-the-closet' and renewing their use of their machines.
And, of course, with every renewed Atari owner comes some degree of new
spending on equipment and/or software.

     ATARI   UNITED!   has been organized with the intent of searching out
these isolated owners on a nationwide scale, with   the hope that these
users will expand the active userbase. And as a result will promote new
business for our loyal developers.

     ATARI   UNITED! seeks to repair the disintegration of communication
between   users and developers in the Atari market, especially because
of the demise of many printed Atari-specific magazines that all too often
are an owner's only link to the community.

A late night conversation about the dismal state of the Atari market in the US led to a discussion about ways that it could be improved, independent of direct Atari Corporation involvement. Obviously, we concluded that the creation of a nationwide database containing information about users, dealers and developers was the first step in rebuilding the lost lines of communication. This has become the first priority of our fledgling organization. While it is being compiled, other projects are and will be developed, so that our database can be utilized to its full extent when more complete.

Atari user groups have always been a valuable means of keeping the Atari community together, and it was obvious that user groups were the best place to begin compiling information. Bob Brodie, Director of Communication for Atari Corporation, and former User Group Coordinator, was contacted, provided an outline of our purpose and plan of action, and asked for a list of user groups that could be used in the effort. He was happy to provide us with the necessary information, and so, the work began.

The name ATARI UNITED! was chosen, and again, Bob Brodie was contacted. Permission to use Atari's name was granted, so long as the organization was used to support Atari products and their users. As this was the very foundation of the organization, an informal agreement was quickly reached, and ATARI UNITED! became our official name. It was further determined that AU! should be a not-for-profit organization, similar to the general form that Atari user groups have taken over the years. ATARI UNITED! does not exist to bilk Atari users out of their money. Actually, we'd prefer that their money be invested in hardware and software, so our loyal developers can make a living. We intend to make all ATARI UNITED! services and projects as affordable as possible. Registration is free of course, and many of the other benefits we will be able to provide will be free of cost to the user also.

ATARI UNITED!'s first project beyond the database is a quarterly DiskMagazine. It will be geared to provide developer news, product reviews, game hints, help columns, and a few surprises. Eventually, program demos might be included, so a taste of what is up and coming can be given as wide an audience as possible. While similar things are now available in the online magazines, it is important to realize that most of the Atari community members are not 'modemized', and that many TOS computer owners have no real link with the rest of the market. So, it is not so much a matter of duplicating what already exists, as a matter of distribution where that kind of information is so desperately needed. Kinda like being modern technological missionaries!

The potential for ATARI UNITED! is enormous, for both the developers and the owners of TOS computers. With better channels of communication, developers will be able to sell more products, encouraging them to continue investing in the TOS market. We, as users, will continue to be able to purchase new products, and find support for the old.

One particular benefit for user groups will grow as the database of TOS computer owners grows. User groups who register with ATARI UNITED! will have their contact information made available to anyone who inquires about TOS support in their area. User groups will also

periodically be given access to information about local   users contacted
by us.   Just as the developer and the user can be connected, so too can
user groups and users.   It's all a part   of   strengthening   the
communication channels throughout the entire market.

        In   addition to communication between groups and owners,   we can
also help on the individual level.   When an owner has a problem with
his/her system, or with a piece of software, it   is often helpful to
contact someone nearby with the knowledge to solve the problem.   Even
if a user doesn't have a 'problem' per se,   the exchange of information
and ideas can only benefit the community. Some users are lucky enough to
have a local dealer,   but for many, 'local' is a term that can mean
several hundred miles.   All of those in that predicament will be able
to locate   owners   nearby. Just   consider us   a   friendly dating
service for your Atari computer!

        Some of our future projects are not far enough along to be openly
discussed,   but there are some exciting possibilities out there. It is
important that we don't take on too much too quickly, only to find that
we can't handle our first priorities.   Too often a well-intentioned
enterprise fails while trying to do too much all at once. Instead, we
want to grow slowly with the aid and support of everyone involved in the
Atari community.   With this in mind, the number of staff at ATARI
UNITED! is being kept very small. We have received many offers from users
volunteering to help with our project, and we are encouraged by all the
offers.   But in these early stages, it is essential that our focus be
maintained. Too many people with too many ideas would only serve to
dilute our efforts at this point. However, as we grow, we will be adding
to our little group, to better serve the Atari community.

        ATARI UNITED!   intends to succeed in its effort to strengthen the
Atari community.   Time and money have already been expended   to that
end,   and we are fully ready to expend more.   But, it'll take the
cooperation and support of TOS computer owners all across the US to make
ATARI UNITED! the   best it can be.   To help us help all of   you,
register now,   while you are thinking about   it! Together, we will
make the Atari community stronger!

                            Gordie Meyer
                            ATARI UNITED!

To register:
Complete the registration form below, and send to:

                            ATARI UNITED!
                            P.O. Box 691
                    Mountain View, CA 94042-0691

                        or via e-mail to:

                        abarbiero@delphi.com

    Name (Last, First, MI): _____
    Mailing Address: _____
                             _____
    City, State, Zip: _____

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Computer Model:              ___ 520 ST      ___ 520 STe     ___ TT
                             ___ 1040 ST     ___ 1040 STe    ___ F030
                             ___ Mega ST     ___ Mega STe


Computer Serial Number: (OPTIONAL)_____

User Group (if a member):_____


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GEMULATOR VERSION 3.0

The Atari ST Emulation Card For PC Compatibles

                    Branch Always Software
              14150 N.E. 20th Street, Suite 302
                  Bellevue, WA 98007, U.S.A.

     - NEW FEATURES AND ENHANCEMENTS

          - SEE IT AT THE GLENDALE SHOW

               - NEW DEMONSTRATION VIDEO

                    - LOW UPGRADE PRICE

Branch Always Software announces Gemulator 3.0, the Atari ST emulator for PC compatibles. With standard features such as TOS 2.06, SuperVGA color graphics, 1.44 megabyte floppy disk support, and expandability up to 8 megabytes of RAM, Gemulator 3.0 turns a plain 386 or 486 PC into an awesome Atari ST clone. With PC prices at an all time low, there has never been a better time to "gemulate" your PC, especially when you consider the cost of upgrading an existing ST with TOS 2.06, high density floppy, extra memory, etc.

Gemulator 3.0 will be released on September 18th 1993, at the Glendale Atari Show in Glendale California. The price remains at $229 U.S. complete and will be available from various Atari dealers. Current Gemulator users can upgrade to version 3.0 for only $30 before September 3, and only $10 if the product was purchased after July 1.

Gemulator 3.0 consists of a plug-in card, TOS 2.06 ROMs, Atari ST emulation software, Atari 800 emulation software, a screen accelerator, benchmarking software, and some public domain and shareware Atari ST programs. Simply plug the card into any unused 8-bit or 16-bit card slot and run the emulation software. GO FROM DOS TO GEM IN SECONDS!

Any PC or laptop meeting the following requirements can run Gemulator 3.0:

    - a 33 Mhz 386 processor (or faster)
    - at least 4 megabytes of RAM
    - DOS 5, DOS 6, Windows 3.1, or OS/2 2.1
    - a VGA card and VGA monitor (SuperVGA is optional)
    - one empty 8-bit or 16-bit ISA card slot
    - a hard disk and at least a 720K 3.5" floppy disk
    - an AdLib or Sound Blaster sound card is optional
    - a mouse is optional but recommended for use with GEM based programs

The following features of the Atari ST / STE / Mega ST are emulated by Gemulator 3.0:

    - 3 graphics modes (320x200, 640x200, and 640x400)
    - a 4096 color palette
    - one or two floppy disk drives
    - support for up to 4 hard disk partitions
    - one serial port and one parallel printer port
    - 3 voices of sound
    - mouse and keyboard (including numeric keypad)
    - real time clock
    - ROM based cartridges
    - 512K to 8 megabytes of RAM

Gemulator 3.0 also adds these enhancements not found on your standard ST:

    - 640x480 color graphics (with any VGA card)
    - 800x600 color graphics (Video7, ATI, Tseng, or VESA SuperVGA card)
    - maximum ST memory is 8 megabytes, double the limit of an ST
    - 1.44 meg high density floppy disks are supported
    - support for multiple TOS ROMs

Imagine running any of hundreds of Atari ST and Atari 800 programs on your PC, including (but not limited to) these:

    ArcShell   Multi Writer

Avante Vector	Multidesk
Calamus	MultiTOS (68000 compatible versions)
Calamus SL	Neodesk
Codehead Utilities	NVDI
Data Master	Pagestream
DC Desktop	Pha$ar
DC Utilities	Prism Paint
Degas	Publishing Partner
Degas Elite	Quick Index
Deskcart	Quick Manager
Diamond Back II	Quick ST
Extended Control Panel	Quick View
EZ Calc	Silhouette
First Word	ST Writer
First Word Plus	ST Xformer II
Flash	Sudden View
FontGDOS	Supra hard disk utilities
G+Plus	Tempus
GDOS	Tempus II
GemBench	Thunder
GEMvelope	TOS 1.0
GFA Basic	TOS 1.2
Gribnif Geneva	TOS 1.4
HDX hard disk utilities	TOS 1.6
Hotwire	TOS 2.06
Interlink	Turbo ST
Key Master	UIS III
Laser C	VT52 Emulator
LDW Power	Warp 9
LHArc	Word Flair
Madmac	Word Flair II
Magic Sac	Word Up
Maxifile	Word Writer

About the only things that Gemulator 3.0 does NOT support are MIDI ports, copy protected disks (typically games), and very machine specific or timing dependent software such as Spectrum 512.

With 8 ROM sockets on each Gemulator card, there is plenty of room for you to plug in other versions of TOS and cartridge ROMs. If you have particular software that does not run with TOS 2.06, you can easily plug in TOS 1.0 or TOS 1.4 and use it instead. Or if you have cartridges like Deskcart, simply remove the ROMs from the cartridge and plug it into the Gemulator card. Gemulator 3.0 can automatically detect up to 4 cards, providing you with a total of 32 ROM sockets!

On fast 486 machines, Gemulator 3.0 runs 2 to 3 times faster than the ST. It scores a GemBench speed index of over 270% running on a 66 Mhz 486 based PC. That's without the use of accelerators such as Warp 9 or NVDI, which are supported on Gemulator and give similar speed improvements as on a real ST. If you don't have a copy of Warp 9 or NVDI, don't worry. Gemulator 3.0 comes with its own custom screen accelerator which runs even fast (it is similar to our Quick ST accelerator but optimized using 386 machine language).

In addition to the 3 standard Atari ST screen resolutions, Gemulator 3.0 also supports 4 VGA screen resolutions: 640x480 monochrome, 640x480 16 colors out of a 4096 color palette, 800x600 monochrome, and 800x600 16 colors out of a 4096 color palette. If you run your Atari ST software in the 800x600 mode you get almost double the screen resolution of a

monochrome Atari ST monitor. Twice the pixels means twice as much text visible on the screen or twice as much area of a desktop publishing document.

Gemulator 3.0 now supports the serial port allowing you to run your favorite Atari ST terminal software with your modem. Take advantage of such features as auto redial, type ahead buffers, and editable capture buffers, features not found in most PC telecommunications software.

Gemulator 3.0 emulates the Atari ST's 3 voice sound by using your PC's Sound Blaster, Sound Blaster Pro, AdLib, or AdLib compatible sound card. Simply have a sound card installed and Gemulator 3.0 will use it.

Gemulator 3.0 reads your Atari ST floppy disks directly, and now gives your Atari ST software access to all of your PC's hard disk drives. Simply use your existing Supra or HDX hard disk driver to activate the hard disk support. And using the HINSTALL utility (which is part of the HDX utilities) you can even autoboot from the hard disk allowing you to put your AUTO folder programs and desk accessories on the hard disk.

And if you're a die hard Atari 800 user, you'll be glad to learn that Gemulator 3.0's improved compatibility now allows you to run the ST Xformer emulator on it. Run Atari BASIC, DOS 2.5, and any other program that is supported by ST Xformer. We include a free copy of ST Xformer 3.0, an upgrade from ST Xformer 2.55, which contains several bug fixes and speed improvements.

Interested in finding out even more about Gemulator 3.0? We now have a free 5 page newsletter which describes more of Gemulator 3.0's features in detail. To receive the newsletter, write to:

                Gemulator 3.0, c/o Branch Always Software
                     14150 N.E. 20th Street, Suite 302
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                       United States of America

We are also updating our demo video to include Gemulator 3.0's latest features. The demo is available on VHS videotape for only $20 and may be ordered directly from Branch Always Software at the above address.

All current Gemulator users may upgrade to version 3.0 for only $30 before September 3, 1993. Users who purchased Gemulator after July 1, 1993 may upgrade for the even lower fee of only $10 with a copy of your receipt showing the date of purchase. After September 3, 1993 all upgrades are $60.

Gemulator 3.0 will be shown September 18th and 19th at the Glendale Atarifest at the Glendale Civic Auditorium. Drop by the Branch Always Software booth to say hi or to pick up your Gemulator. We'll even be taping part of our demo video at the show to get real life reactions from Atari users using Gemulator 3.0.

In North America, Gemulator 3.0 can be ordered from the following dealers:

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ACN  provides  Gemulator  packages  for  the  U.K.  as  well  as  versions
translated into French and German with appropriate TOS 2.06 ROMs.



Users of the  GEnie online service can  come ask questions about Gemulator
3.0  on  August  18th  at 10pm  during  a  special  RTC  in  the  Atari  ST
roundtable.  If you wish to call Branch Always Software, we may be reached
at 206-885-5893.  This is a voice number before 2pm eastern time and a fax
number at other times.



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                   :HOW TO GET YOUR OWN GENIE ACCOUNT:
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      Set your communications software to Half Duplex (or Local Echo)
                   Call: (with modem) 800-638-8369.
               Upon connection type HHH (RETURN after that).
                     Wait for the U#= prompt.

            Type: XTX99587,CPUREPT then, hit RETURN.
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- Newark, NJ   DEVELOPER BESIEGED BY DEPOSITIONS & POSSIBLE LAWSUITS

     Reports are filtering in about a NE developer and IAAD member. The
maker of custom hardware and accelerator cards is having more to do with
lawyers than he probably cares to. Seems there is a group in the NW USA
in hot pursuit of this developer to the tune of $25,500 plus interest.
The group claims the developer received the funds for a specific job to be
done under contract. The group claims nothing was ever done in relation
to the contracted project the money was paid for. Further it was rumored,
the money had been spent on unrelated projects.

     In a another matter, during a recent deposition, taking place in
Springfield, N.J., a signed contract was produced by the defendant's
attorney while the developer (witness for plaintiff) was busy stating
"there was no signed contract". Additionally, it was indicated there were
another thirty one irregularities discovered in the developer's "sworn"
deposition.

     Further in another, totally different and separate action, it appears
a group of users have banded together in hopes of bringing suit to recover
funds deposited with this very same developer for product the users claim
they've waited over a year for. Allegedly, there are well over one
hundred users who have come forward and claimed they are involved at
approximately three hundred dollars each. Reportedly, this action is
reaching all the way into Canada, thus becoming international in its
scope.

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From Compuserve's Atari Fora

#: 31901 S9/Lexicor Software
    24-Aug-93 16:18:38
Sb: #Lexicor support
Fm: Jim Ness 75300,3155
To: LEXICOR Software 75300,763 (X)

Are you guys entirely done with GEnie, now? I noticed Darlah has
apparently done away with the Lexicor category, merging old messages into
the general graphics category.

                                    -JN

#: 31934 S9/Lexicor Software
    25-Aug-93 17:34:05
Sb: #31901-#Lexicor support
Fm: STReport - Ralph 70007,4454
To: Jim Ness 75300,3155 (X)

How very, very predictable.   <sigh>

#: 31937 S9/Lexicor Software
    25-Aug-93 21:22:59
Sb: #31934-#Lexicor support
Fm: LEXICOR Software 75300,763
To: [F] 75300,3155 (X)

JN,

      So far as I know we are gone for good. It was quite clear to all of
us that we were not wanted, in spite of words to the contrary.

      It is sort of not what you say as what you do the speaks volumes
about intentions (sic).

      We will be posting a press release this week with more details about
our Genie absence. If you would like to have a chat on the subject feel
free to pick up the tel'e....

Lee@Lexicor

#: 31941 S9/Lexicor Software
    26-Aug-93 01:18:24
Sb: #31937-#Lexicor support
Fm: Louis F. Trapani 70730,122
To: LEXICOR Software 75300,763 (X)

      Sorry things worked out they way they did. My concern would be for
Lexicor users.

              Lou

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#: 31942 S9/Lexicor Software
    26-Aug-93  04:10:43
Sb: #31941-Lexicor support
Fm: LEXICOR Software 75300,763
To: Louis F. Trapani 70730,122
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Lou,

     My sentiments too, but we were given no other choice. And as things
stood, there was no real way we could continue and have any thing of value
left untouched. It is hard to explain the issue of confidence. But for
what it's worth...

     In the military and I think some high risk High tech worlds they
speak about a system having a confidence rating. This means that under
any given set of conditions a certain piece of hardware or software has a
certain confidence rating.

     Now in the case of information, it's gathering, storage,
transmission and capture, there is always a risk of losses. In some cases
this loss might be just a part of the information, or it could be the risk
of corruption, or it could be the risk of being intercepted. The
interception of data might be total or it could be partial, in which case,
some information leaks through. This leakage might or might not carry the
original meanings. It would depend on the particular circumstances.

     In our case, we finally came to a point in time where we felt that
the confidence level of information transmission was such that we could
not rely on getting all information intended for us or that our
confidential information retained it's integrity. Under these
circumstances and the more obvious superficial efforts to control and
dictate to Lexicor made it quite obvious over the past 10 weeks that we
would not be allowed to remain on genie. As I see it, it was just a
matter of time.

     It's really worse for the general Atari graphics community than it
is for Lexicor. I feel that open and honest competition is a healthy and
valued part of our (USA) system of government. Any time you have a
monopoly or interference in the free marketplace you soon find.. ..well
you know what I mean.

Lee@Lexicor

To: STReport - Ralph
From: Bruce Miller
Topic: Lexicor/IAAD
Subject: Disappointed

To whom it may concern;

     I've watched this thing between Lexicor and the IAAD carefully for
the last six weeks and the only thing I see is an earnest effort being
taken by the IAAD president D. Brumleve to cover something up. When is
the double talk going to stop and the truth be revealed? Are the users in
the Atari userbase so gullible as to go for the nonsense in that IAAD
statement? If the users in this area ever intend for it to be taken

seriously, they had better speak up and demand ethical behavior on the part of their developers and constituents.

     Why did the IAAD allow two of its board members to vote Lexicor out when both of them appear to have "hidden agendas" of their own? WHY? Only THREE board members voted??? That in itself is a JOKE! Especially when two of the three were Jim Allen and Nathan Potechin!

     It's time the IAAD told the true reasons why Lexicor fell into disfavor and ultimately, expulsion form its membership roles. Why all the doubletalk and energy waste on coverups? Tell the truth! Tell the users what is really going on! Else, reverse your outrageous actions!

                                        Bruce Miller

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> A "Quotable Quote"   Injustices DO beget INJUSTICE!
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